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THE WEATHER.

FEAR A REVOLT OF BERLIN POPULACE, TALE OF REFUGEE

DECEMBER 20, 1915.

German Authorities Reported to Be in Dread of Rebellion of Discontented Masses of the Capital.

MUCH MISERY AMONG THE POOR

German-Born Wife of English La borer Brings This Story to Flushing.

FOOD SHOPS ARE STORMED service.

LONDON, Dec. 19 .- Telegraphing from Amsterdam the correspondent of Reuter's Telegram company says: service. "Life in the poorer quarters of the in German capital is described as pitiful by the German born wife of an of a King" by Neidlinger, English laborer residing in Berlin. who after sixteen months intern-

Amsterdam Telegraaf. "The German authorities," the Telegraaf correspondent quotes the Brill also marked the program. woman as saying, "are in great fear of a revolt owing to the discontent of the people. Several riots occurred

ing daily." confirmed," says the Reuter dispatch, "by a letter from the Berlin correspondent of the Handelsblad who declares that shops literally were after their daily allowance of

quarter of a pound per family. "Provision shops were guarded by the police to prevent disturbances.'

Republican Unity May Save Holding The Extra Primary

SIOUX FALLS, S.| D., Dec. 19.-(Special.)-A well defined movement is under way among the leaders of the staiwart and progressive republican factions in South Dakota having for its purpose the uniting of the two factions on a list of delegates to represent the republicans of South Dakota at the republican national

onvention next Jone.
It is believed this movement will be successful, and should such prove to be the case, it will be unnecessary to hold South Dakota on April 4 next, as had been contemplated in some quarters, for the purpose of electing delegates to the republican national convention. Should It not be necessary to hold a special primary for the selection of delegates, the taxpayers of South Dakota would be saved an aggregate of \$59,000 of \$60,000, which, it is estimated, would be the cost of the special primary.

The mixup in the selection of delegates to the republican national convention is blue to the fact that the national convention, called for June 7, is only one day after the date for the regular primary election in South Dakota, which is fixed by the new primary law for the first Tuesday in June, which next year will

If the stalwart and progressive republicans of the state can agree upon a list of delegates, the special primary election would not be held, and the men agreed upon would be on hand at the republican national convention who it convenes June 7, prepared to take their seats in the con ention when the proper officers in South Dakota wired them the proper credentials as soon as the result of the primary election on June 6 was known, which doubtless would be early on the morning of June 7, in ample time for the necessary official telegram to be sent to the delegates in Chicago, so the members could take their seats when the con-

REPUBLICANS IN LEAD IN THE REGISTRATION

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN. Dec. 19.-(Special.)-Regis trations which are being made under the new law for voters, which requires in this city that all voters whether registered at the last election or not should again register, the same to hold good for four years, is beginning to pick up a little, although only about one-fifth of the voters have appeared so far.

It shows the republicans far in the lead with a registration of 1,256; democrats, 506; socialists, 16; prohibitionists, 24; progressives, 13; no designation, 114, and women, 11, a total of 1.944.

The Weather



Comparative Local Record. west yesterday

Temperature and precipitation departes from the normal:

before it was budly damaged.

YULETIDE MUSIC FILLS CHURCHES

Christmas Music in All the Protestant and Catholic Edifices in Honor of the Nativity.

WORKS OF GREAT COMPOSERS

The approach of Christman, the great festival of the Christian year, was marked yesterday by elaborate musical programs in many of the city's churches. The story of Bethlenem was told in anthem and solo and the productions of the great music masters on this exalted theme were given as a portion of the

Thomas J. Kelly's choir at St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church rendered a very extensive musical program at the morning service and also at the vesper Mr. Kelly sang the solo part the anthem. Watched Their Flocks" and Mrs. Kelly, by special request sang "The Birthday

"The Magnificat," which is the hymn of Mary after Elizabeth greeted her as ment, has arrived at Flushing, Hol- the mother of the Lord, was especially land, on her way to England, accord- effective. In the anthem, "The Shepherds' Story," solos were sung by Walter ing to the correspondent of the Dale, Louis Loring and Mrs. Martin Bush.

Organ solos and a violin solo by Mr. At the First Methodist church the chorus choir of fifty voices gave special music in the morning and in the evening sang the oratorio, "The Holy City," by in which shops were plundered. A. R. Gaul. The soloists were J. T. Mc-Mounted police charged the crowds Carl, tenor; Miss Hazel Silver, soprano; which were composed mainly of Miss Alice Fintel, alto; Mr. Carnal and women. Misery among the working trio was sung by Miss Verna Fowler, Miss class is considerable and is increas- Sadie Holland and Miss Margery Shackelford. Miss Marguerite Carnal was spe-"The woman's story is somewhat clal plane accommunist, assisting Miss Nora Neal, organist.

The quartet of the First Presbyterian church rendered special numbers including "Holy Night."

The principal Christmas music at the were stormed by large crowds who Hanscom Park Methodist church was in the evening. Solos and solo parts in anthems were sung by Miss Marie butter, which was only about a Gordon, Miss Jessie' McDonald, Miss Mary Virtue, Walter Woodrow and Harold Thom.

The morning services at the North Presbyterian church included a carol, "Child Jesus Comes," sung by Mrs. Roy Flanagan and Joseph Woolery, jr.; Shelly's anthem, "Hark, Hark, My Soul," was especially effective, the alto solo sung by Miss Helen Fales and the soprano

by Mrs. Flanagan. Not only in the large churches was Christmas music sung, but in nearly all. SIR JOHN FRENCH well as the numbers by the choirs all bore upon the great event which the Christian world is about to celebrate.

Fight from Shelter Of Frozen Corpses

BERIJN, Dec. 19.—(By Wireless to Say- ARRIVES AT FRENCH CAPITAL ARE GREETED WITH CHEERS garian soldiers of difficult positions on Krm plateau, in the Isonzo region, 6,703 of a congratulatory telegram sent by Emperor William to the Kaischau regiment,

BAYS: "The Hungarians with no sandbage at their disposal, at first took shelter behind frozen corpses. The whole plateau was covered with dead Italians, it being impossible to bury the bodies as the Italians kept up a continuous artillery fire. The wounded soldiers perished and it was impossible to assist them.

"The Hungarians have been defending the Krn plateau positions for 200 days, in which time 180 attacks were repulsed wit port the Italians gaining the least

Christmas Music The Feature at North Presbyterian

Christmas music was a special feature at the North Presbyterian church, at both the morning and evening services Sunday. The program was so pleasing and so well received by the two large congregations that it will be repeated Besides the music there was the regular

preaching service by the pastor. Rev. M. V. Highee, his morning topic being the "Angels" Song," it having to do with the first Christmas and the coming of the Christ child.

The music was rendered under the direction of Lee G. Kratz, choirmaster, with Miss West at the organ. anthems were rendered in a most delight- I think with sorrow of that great and ful manner, the male chorus, with violin accompaniment adding to the interest.

Austrians Beaten by Montenegrins

PARIS, Dec. 19 .- A success for the Herzegovinian army of Montenegro in forcing back the Austrians, after a hard battle, is reported in the Montenegrin official statement received here today. The statement says:

"Our army in the Sanjak was attacked on December 15 by superior forces along the entire front. Our troops were given orders on the day following to expect movements which permit them to occupy new defensive positions.

Our Herzegovinian army succeeded after several hours of furious fighting in forcing the enemy to the other side of the river Subeska and inflicting on him serious losses."

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 19.-(Special.)-The school house in District No. 25, twelve cidental, the victim probably having miles southeast of Fremont in Douglas switched on the gas, after turning it off. county, was destroyed by fire at il The jetcock was loose and casily turned. o'clock Friday night. Farmers formed a o'clock Friday night. Farmers formed a bucket brigade and for a while it seemed had succeeded in cheesing the flames Coroner Crosby has taken the body. Bewhen they broke out afresh. The loss is side his granddaughter, Mr. Morgan is estimated at about \$3,000 with insurance survived by brothers and sisters living

SIR DOUGLAS HAIG, who succeeds Field Marshal Sir John French in France, photographed as companion of King George at a field review.

OMAHA, MONDAY MORNING,



BIDS ARMY ADIEU

Forces on Western Front Issues Farewell Order.

LONDON, Dec. 19 .- Field Marfeet above the level of the sea, the cor- shal Sir John French issued the respondent of the Overseas News agency following order of the day yesterwho reached the scene after the receipt day before leaving the army on the western front:

"In relinquishing command of the British army in France, I wish to express to teh officers, the non-commissioned officers and men with whom I have been so closely associated during the last sixteen months, my heartfelt sorrow in parting with them before the campaign in which we have been so long engaged together has been brought to a victorious conclusion.

Triumph Not Far Off.

"I have, however, the firmest conviction that such a glorious ending to their splendid and heroic efforts is not far distant, and I shall watch their progress toward this final goal with intense interest, but in the most confident hope.

"The success so far attained has been due to the indomitable spirit and dogged tenacity which knows no defeat, and the heroic courage so abundantly displayed by the rank and file of the splendid army, which will ever remain the pride and glory of my life to have commanded durng over sixteen months of incessant

"The regulars and the territorials of the old army and the new army have ever shown these magnificent qualities in equal degree. From my heart I thank them all.

Sorrow for the Lost. "At this sad moment of my parting my heart goes out to those who have received lifelong injury from wounds, and glorious host of my beloved comrades who have made the greatest ancrifices of all by laying down their lives for their

"In saying good-bye to the British army in France, I ask them once again to accept this expression of my deepest grati-tude and heartfelt devotion toward them, and my earnest good wishes for a glorious future which I feel to be assured

"J. D. P. FRENCH. Field Marshal Commanding in Chief. British Army in France."

Arrives at Paris. PARIS, Dec. 19.-Field Marshal Str John French arrived at Paris this evening from the front. He will be received tomorrow afternoon by President Poin-

MORGAN DIES FROM GAS HE TURNS ON BY ACCIDENT

Richard H. Morgan, aged 76 years, died at the home of his granddaughter, Mrs. Guy Hayes, 1915 Capitol avenue, of gas asphiziation. Death was apparently ac-Mr. Morgan had been in Omaha two to cover. A new piano purchased by the at Lincoln. New Market, In. and board a few days ago was carried out in Idaho. No funeral arrangements have been made

WILSONS ARRIVE AT HOT SPRINGS

Retiring Commander of British Several Hundred People Meet Newly Wedded Couple at the Station.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., ec. 19 .-President Wilson and his bride, the former Mrs. Norman Galt arrived here shortly after 9 o'clock this morning to spend their honeymoon. They were met at the station by a crowd of several hundred people who applauded as they alighted from their private car.

couple immediately to tehir hotel.

Hope Essential Factor Of Human Existence, Says Rev. Mr. Mackay

Rev. T. J. Mackay preached an inspiring sermon on the "Christmas Hope" at All Saints' Episcopal church yesterday morning. In the afternoon a vesper musical service was held. Special musical services will be held Christmas day. Rev. Mr. Mackay described hope as one of the most essential factors of human existence, reaching the climax of its possibilities in the higher life. Elliah. attitude of mankind which is always the contrary." reaching after something better in the future, the minister said. The question whether men may hope

in the midst of all the trouble and distress of the great war, Rev. Mr. Mackay answered by saying: "God is still living. We may well hope that good will comof the terrible disasters of the war." Rev. Mr. Mackay illustrated his position by telling of a question once asked the noted negro minister, Frederick Douglas, during the civil war.

"In the midst of a sermon which was of a rather despondent note," said Rev. Mr. Mackay, "an aged negro woman asked: 'Is God dead?'

"The shock of the question was so great in the mind of Douglas that it led him to change the tone of his sermon.'

Gravel Mine Found West of Lincoln

(From a Staff Correspondent. portant industry, at least to Lincoln, it has just been discovered that at Capital Beach, a pleasure resort just a short disof gravel has been discovered.

The bed is said to be about twenty an enjoyable one. feet thick and about the same number of feet under the mud. The deposit is said to JURY IN COWAN CASE be of the most valuable kind and can

SWEET LEAVES ROCK ISLAND FOR D. & R. G.

DENVER, Dec. 19.-Arthur E. Sweet of Topeka, Kan., general manager of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific raflway system, will on January 1, become vice president of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, it was announced today at Rie Grande headquarters here

GERMANY DENIES CONNECTION WITH PLOTS IN AMERICA

Authoritative Statement from Berlin Says Government Has Never Knowingly Accepted Such Support.

WILSON'S WORDS DISCUSSED

Says Foes of Fatherland Try Create Impression Responsible for Acts.

HOLLWEG AND GERARD CONFER

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 .- The New York Times has received the following authorized statement by wireless many lives and destruction of milfrom Berlin:

"The German government naturally, has never knowingly accepted persons, society or organization seeking to promote the cause of Gercontravention of law, or by any any means whatever that could offend the American people in the pride of their own authority.

"If it should be alleged that imrepresentatives of the German government they could be easily dealt with. To any complaints, upon proof can government, suitable response will be made.

Depends on Alien Press. "As is well known, the means of con practically impossible aur the German pend upon the foreign press for information concerning American affairs.

"The message of President Wilson to congress, in which the activities of German sympathizers in the United States were discused, will serve as an illustra-There was received in Germany a brief summary of those passages not be available in Germany until the pear.

or belated as to be not wholly effective. "Apparently the enemies of Germany would have succeeded in creating the impression that the German government to some way morally or otherwise responsible for what Mr. Wilson has char-Walting automobiles took the acterized anti-American activities comprehending attacks upon property and vilations of the rules which the American government has seen fit to impose upon the course of neutral trade.

An Absolute Denial. "This the German government absoutely denies. It cannot specifically repudiate acts committed by individuals over whom it has no control and of whose povements and intentions it is neither officially nor unofficially informed. It can only say and does most emphatically declare to Germans abroad, to German-American citizens of the United States and to the American people, all alike that whoever is guilty of conduct to asso clate the German cause with lawlessness of thought, suggestion or deed against life, property and order in the United States is in fact an enemy of that very cause and a source of embarrassment to who ascended the mountain, looking for the German government, notwithstanding clouds and hoping for rain, typified the what any 'he or they' may believe to

Hollweg Sees Gerard. BERLIN (Via London), Dec. 19,-Dr. on Bethmann-Hollweg, German imperial chancellor, today sent for James W. Gerard, the American ambassador and the two held an extended conference concerning German-American relations No statements regarding the subjects dis cursed was obtainable, but the Ancone offair threatened reflex effect on German American relations, which it has been learned here is a matter of concern to nigher German authorities, and may possibly have furnished the occasion for the

BACHELOP CARPENTERS ARE INVITED TO SEE THE TREE

The Progress Auxiliary of the Omaha Carpenters' union lodge will have the fam'lies and children of all the union carpenters in Omaha and Council Bluffs as guests at a big Christmas tree celebration at the Labor temple Monday evening. This will be the first attempt of LINCOLN, Dec. 19 .- (Special.) - Mining the women to have a Christmas tree, but in Nebraska may yet be a part of an im- they expect to make it an annual event in the future.

for the children. The auxillary invites tance west of Lincoln, a valuable quality all bachelor carpenters, however, to attend and assist in making the evening

IS UNABLE TO AGREE

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 19 .- (Spe cial.)-After being out twenty hours a will be a second trial.

HAVE CLUES TO A NATION-WIDE PLOT

U. S. Officers Believe They Have Unearthed Details of Conspiracy to Blow Up War Plants.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 .- With the

arraignment here today of Paul Koenig, said to be the head of the German secret service in this country, and Richard Emil Leyendecker. a New York art goods dealer, on a charge of conspiring to blow up the Welland canal, federal officials asserted they had in their hands the clues to a country-wide conspiracy to blow up munition plants, which has already resulted in the loss of lions of dollars' worth of property. For several years Koenig has been the head of a detective force employed here the support of any person, group of by the Hamburg-American Steamship company. The company, which is subsidized by the German government, was many in the United States by illegal local surety concern supplied \$50,000 bail quick to come to his aid and through a acts, by counsels of violence, by for him and \$30,000 bail for Leyendecker. Bank Clerk Arrested.

The arrest of Koenig and Lyendecker was coincident with the arrest by county authorities of Frederick Scheindl, a clerk in the National City bank. Scheindl, detectives claimed, confessed that he was port on Saturday after a fourteen days' proper acts have been committed by employed by Koenig to supply him with voyage from New York. The delegates information regarding the shipment of expressed much displeasure because the munitions to the silles.

This information was obtained through telegrams and letters received by Naas may be submitted by the Amerinent part in the purchasing in this country of supplies for the allies. Scheindl said he received \$25 a week from Keenig police added. Scheindl told the police munication between Germany and the that he is a German reservist and that United States is very unsatisfactory; it is he acted solely from patriotic motives, Scheindl was arraigned before a police government to keep itself in touch with magistrate on an affidavit charging him standing throughout the world by the American sentiment; it has often to de with complicity in the larceny of docu- time peace sessions were begun at The ments and messages valued at \$100,000, Hague, where William Jennings Bayan, from the National City bank. He was ex-secretary of state, was expected to held in \$25,000 ball for a hearing Monday. Join the peace party. Offers to "Squeal."

Important evidence regarding Keenig's activities is understood to have been obarrested in connection with Koenig and He expects to gather a Norwegian delecles against peace and order in the United States, and the effect produced thereby upon sentiment in Ger- as stenographer to Koenig. He was to party would grow as it traveled through many was probably more painful than have been arraigned with his chief and neutral countries, and that this would the American government knew. A dif- Leyendecker, but at the last moment it convince the belligorents, that the rest ferent impression thereby might have was announced by Assistant United of the world demanded peace immedibeen produced by the full text of the States Attorney Wood, who is in charge ately. By the time Copenhagen was message, but unfortunately that would of the case that Metzler was not to ap- visited and The Hague reached, probably

American newspapers arrived by mail or Later a high federal official admitted peace movement would have a definite a fortnight or three weeks later, except that Metzler had offered to turn state's as it might be taken with doubts and reservations from the English press. government with much valuable inforthat Metzler had offered to turn state's program.

English Censor in Way.

"In the meantime, confidential communication between the German government with moth of the Hamburg-American line in the United States by cable or wireless went to the federal authorities and asked to see Norwegian winter life.

After holding meetings while grantless American government knows. Messages refused. The attorneys then offered any by cable must pass through the English amount of ball to secure Metaler's liberty censorship, and messages in secret code This offer also was refused. Metaler by wireless is forbidden. Therefore mis- who had been examined at police head understandings are bound to arise, while quarters during the night, was taken explanations are often so circumscribed away early today and no information would be vouchsafed as to where he was

being held. Stouth Suspended.

new development occurred in the case late today when Otto F. Mottola, a police headquarter's detective, was suspended after a hearing by Comm Woods. Mottola was summoned before the commissioner after the police said they found his name in a note book taken from Koenig. According to statements attributed to Koenig and Metzler, Mottole was employed by the former at \$3 a day

to make investigations. The arrests yesterday and today are alone and probably between 300 and 400 scattered about the country.

Evolution of Man Required Billions of Years, Says Miller

Burd F. Miller lectured at Theosophical hall, Sunday evening, upon "The Evolution of Life and Form," in which he stated that the pedigree of man, instead of being only a few thousand years old, covered a period of millions upon millions of years, and that his long journey through evolution was a matter of omething over 4,000,000,000 years. from the middle of the Third Root race to the present time was about 18,000,000 years.

Mr. Miller said that the physical scien tists have siready agreed that man has existed for millions of years. He asserted that "one has to admit a something beyond the physical sight which is all powerful, which gives the beauty, the form, the color, and is in fact the very creator of them, but because these forces are not visible to our objective sight there has sprung a great gulf between those who study the form side and those who study the life side.

"But to those who study the inner side of nature the real beauty and grandeur comes apparent, and the two as one. "In the olden times religion and science were wedded together and there was no fiscord between the intelligence and the The fundamental difference between the ancient and modern science is that the ancient science studies the world from the standpoint of a life that is evolving, while the modern scientist studies by observing the forms through which

Pickpocket Is Scatenced.

that life manifests."

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 19 .- (Spe cial.)-Peter Haines, alias John King, onjury in the case of the State against Earl of the two pickpockets arrested after reowan, 21, on the charge of attacking a lieving a Merrick county farmer of a roll b-year-old girl, informed the court that it of bills at the fair grounds last fall, and had been and would be unable to agree. who pleaded guilty shortly thereafter, was The alleged crime is reported to have sentenced today to serve from one to taken place near Shelton, Buffalo county, seven years in the pentientiary. The court early last summer. Cowan is retained in has in the meantime been investigating custody with the expectation that there the man's record and it has not been found to be good.

FORD SURE PEACE PARTY WILL STOP WAR THIS WINTER

ARRAIGN KOENIG AND ANOTHER Leader of Expedition, Landing at Christiania, Confident Soldiers Out of Trenches Before Spring.

BRYAN TO JOIN AT THE HAGUE

Asserts Movement Most Benevolent Thing American Republic Ever Did.

HALT AT KIRKWALL DISPLEASES

CHRISTIANIA, Norway (Via London), Dec. 19 .- "Every nation in the world will soon look upon the American peace pilgrims as taking the initiative in stopping history's worst war. The landing of the peace expedition in Europe will be recorded as one of the most benevolent things the American republic ever did," said Henry Ford today to the Associated Press representative on stepping

ashore on Norwegian soil. The steamship Oscar II, carrying the Ford peace expedition, arrived at this vessel was delayed three days by the

British authorities at Kirkwall, Scotland. Sees Them Out by Spring. Mr. Ford said he was confident the expedition would result in getting the men out of the trenches before the winter was over. He declared he had information from official sources that his peace plan was looked upon approvingly. added that his motive in coming to Europe was to develop to the full an under-

Mr. Ford explained the presence of the American party in Norway was mere'y intended to convince the Norwegians of tained from Frederick Metzler, who was the fervent wish of Americans for peace. two weeks hence, Mr. Ford said, the

Weather in Fine.

After holding meetings while or the Atlantic and disagreeing over the question of the American preparedness policy, the 150 peace advocates, on arriving, were anxious to learn what attitude would be adopted toward them by

Receptions by Christiania preachers and university professors and an unofficial call made by Albert G. Schmedeman, American minister to Norway, attended the first day of the members of the peace expedition in Europe. Normal meetings

will begin Monday. Christiania newspapers publish long accounts regarding the Ford expeditionPacompanying the stories with cartoons rom foreign newspapers.

Hold Public Meeting.

Just before the Oscar II reached Christiania the Ford guests held a public meeting aboard the ship. Samuel Mcsaid to be merely the forerunners of Clure of New York said that unless the numerous other arrests, which will ex- peace pligrims composed their differences tend throughout the country. Secret of opinion regarding President Wilson's service agents assert that Koenig had preparedness policy it would cause dis-twenty-seven agents in New York City aster to the expedition. He declared American preparedness was necessary and was not related to the peace efforts. Rev. Charles F. Aked, pastor of the First Congregational church of San Francisco, maintained it was ridiculous for Americans to urge peace abroad while

Wants to Give Up Land in Nebraska

Finally a resolution declaring that the

delegates were unanimous for European

preparing for war at home.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN. 19.-(Special.)-Land Commissioner Fred Bockmann thinks ha has discovered a curiosity. It is a man who has lived on a piece of Nebraska land seventeen years and now does not want it any more. With Nebraska land turning out products which put Alaska gold mines in the shade, it is hard to believe that there is any man who wants to let go of a Nebraska farm after living n it that number of years.

The man is Bernard Koch of Fordyce, in Cedar county, and the land is a quarter section upon which he has been paying a rental of \$1.75 per acre per year. The ease runs out January I and Koch says he wants to give it up, but he attaches a couple of strings to the proposition. one of them that the state should pay him \$3,774 for improvements he has placed on the land and the other is that he be permitted to purchase the land at not

ore than \$30 per acre. Mr. Beckmann has informed Mr. Kech that the state does not buy improvements placed on leased land and that in case of sale the price must be fixed by

Report Massacres Among the Serbians

LONDON, Dec. 18 .- The following official Serbian statement has been recelved from Scutari:

"During the retreat of the Serbian army the Austrians and Bulgarians armed Musculmans in New Serbia and incited them against the peaceful popula-Numerous massacres ensued and unprecedented cruelties and crimes were committed."